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House of Representatives, March 23, 2023

An Act to Establish Municipal Cost Components for Unorganized Territory Services to Be Rendered in Fiscal Year 2023-24

(EMERGENCY)

Reported by Representative PERRY of Bangor for the administrator of the unorganized territory pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, section 1604.

Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

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1 2	Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as		
3 4 5	Whereas, prompt determination and certification of the municipal cost components in the Unorganized Territory Tax District are necessary to the establishment of a mill rate and the levy of the Unorganized Territory Educational and Services Tax; and		
6 7 8 9	Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,		
10	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:		
11 12 13 14	Sec. 1. Municipal cost components for services rendered. In accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, chapter 115, the Legislature determines that the net municipal cost component for services and reimbursements to be rendered in fiscal year 2023-24 is as follows:		
15	Fiscal Administration - Office of the State Auditor	\$280,153	
16 17 18	Education	\$14,103,141	
19 20	Forest Fire Protection	\$130,000	
20 21 22	Human Services - General Assistance	\$60,000	
23 24	Property Tax Assessment	\$1,269,048	
25	Maine Land Use Planning Commission	\$643,573	
26 27 28	TOTAL STATE AGENCIES	\$16,485,915	
29 30	County Reimbursements for Services		
31	Aroostook	\$2,003,645	
32	Franklin	\$1,375,281	
33	Hancock	\$189,107	
34	Kennebec	\$9,662	
35	Lincoln	\$29,013	
36	Oxford	\$1,710,625	
37	Penobscot	\$1,868,069	
38	Piscataquis	\$1,747,599	
39	Somerset	\$2,524,640	
40	Washington	\$1,520,948	
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42	TOTAL COUNTY SERVICES	\$12,978,589	
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44 45	COUNTY TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRUBUTIONS	FROM FUND	

1	Tax Increment Financing Payments	\$3,027,917	
23	TOTAL REQUIREMENTS	\$32,492,421	
4 5	COMPUTATION OF ASSESSMENT		
6 7	Requirements	\$32,492,421	
8 9	Less Revenue Deductions:		
10	General Revenue		
11	Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$300,000	
12	Homestead Reimbursement	\$250,000	
13	Miscellaneous Revenue	\$10,000	
14	Use of Unassigned Fund Balance	\$2,697,813	
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16	TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE DEDUCTIONS	\$3,257,813	
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18	Education Revenue		
19	Land Reserved Trust Interest	\$100,000	
20	Tuition and School Transportation Charges	\$130,000	
21	Special - Teacher Retirement Funding from State	\$240,000	
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23	TOTAL EDUCATION REVENUE DEDUCTIONS	\$470,000	
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25	TOTAL REVENUE DEDUCTIONS	\$3,727,813	
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27	TAX ASSESSMENT BEFORE COUNTY TAXES	\$28,764,608	
28	AND OVERLAY (Title 36, §1602)		
29 30	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.		
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31	SUMMARY		
32 33	This bill establishes municipal cost components for state and county services provided to the unorganized territory that would normally be paid for by a municipality. The		
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municipal cost components constitute the property tax for the unorganized territory.